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IN REPLY REFER TO

NAVMEDCOMINST 4080.1  
MEDCOM-42  
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NAVMEDCOM INSTRUCTION 4080.1

From: Commander, Naval Medical Command

Subj: ORGANIZATIONAL CLOTHING FOR COMBAT ZONE FLEET HOSPITAL  
AUGMENTEES

Ref: (a) NAVPERS 15665F, U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations  
(b) NAVSUPMAN vol. II

Encl: (1) Uniform, Navy Medical Field  
(2) Standards for Wearing Camouflage Utility Uniform

1. Purpose. To implement procedures and provide the necessary guidance for the procurement, issue, control, and responsibility for uniforms and organizational clothing for active duty combat zone fleet hospital augmentees.

2. Background. Reference (a) establishes the U.S. Marine Corps combat field clothing (camouflage utilities) as the appropriate clothing for deployed medical unit personnel. Reference (a) also designates this uniform as organizational clothing. Organizational clothing procedures are set forth in chapter 5, of reference (b) and article 11801 of reference (a). To ensure fleet hospital augmentees are properly outfitted for mobilization and field training responsibilities, they must be outfitted with appropriate clothing prior to reporting to mobilization billets or field training exercises. Accordingly, the procurement, issuance, and control of the field uniforms must be managed by the supporting medical treatment facility (MTF). Uniforms for Reserve personnel are the responsibility of the sponsoring Reserve center.

3. Scope. The Commander, Naval Medical Command (COMNAVMEDCOM) directs the issuance and authorizes the wear of the camouflage utilities (woodland type) for personnel assigned to combat zone fleet hospitals.

4. Criteria. Those personnel who wear the camouflage utility uniform during training exercises as their normal working uniform may wear it to service facilities such as dispensaries, exchanges, and commissaries, and for travel directly between work and local residence, subject to the discretion of appropriate authority. The camouflage utility uniform is not authorized for normal liberty or travel and must not be worn as such.

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5. Action

a. Commanders of naval medical command activities will take appropriate action to provide the following:

(1) Procure adequate stocks of camouflage utilities for issue to active duty personnel designated as combat zone fleet hospital augmentees.

(2) Establish organizational clothing issue and control procedures per reference (b) using signed custody cards.

(3) Ensure that custody cards are transferred to deployed field units upon mobilization of augmentees.

(4) Issue items of organizational clothing as listed in enclosure (1).

b. Officer in Charge, Naval School of Health Sciences, San Diego Detachment, Camp Pendleton, CA will fund and support staff personnel only following this instruction as required.

c. Standards of appearance for all personnel within the scope of this instruction wearing the camouflage utility uniform must follow enclosure (2).

  
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UNIFORM, NAVY MEDICAL FIELD

<u>Item Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
1. Boot, combat black*	2 pair	\$ 61.00
2. Cap, combat cami	2 each	6.00
3. Coat, combat cami	2 each	25.00
4. Stockings, grn w/cushion sole*	6 pair	6.00
5. Trousers, combat	2 each	26.00
6. U.S. Navy decal	2 each	.50
7. Undershirts, grn*	6 each	12.50
8. Coat, cold weather w/hood	1 each	32.00
9. Liner, cold weather	1 each	9.00
10. Poncho, nylon	1 each	22.00
11. Liner, poncho	1 each	21.00
12. Bag, duffel, OD green	1 each	12.00
13. Bag, waterproof, clothing	1 each	5.00

TOTAL organizational clothing cost per  
individual set

\$238.00

\*Indicates nonreturnable items

Cap devices, grade or rate devices, and corps devices are to be  
provided by member.

Enclosure (1)

STANDARDS FOR WEARING CAMOUFLAGE UTILITY UNIFORM

1. General. The camouflage utility uniform consists of standard issue woodland camouflage 50 percent nylon trousers and coats, black footwear, black web belt with buckle, authorized headgear, and appropriate insignia.

a. The camouflage utility uniform must be cleaned and pressed and present a neat appearance. In remote locations, pressing may be waived with permission of appropriate authority.

b. The camouflage utility uniform is designed for field wear and should be loose fitting and comfortable. Reports of shrinkage necessitate the proper fitting of the camouflage uniform. The item selected should be fitted loosely to allow for some shrinkage without rendering the garment unusable. Wear life of the camouflage utility uniform is adversely affected by starch. Therefore, starching, "sizing," or otherwise artificially stiffening the uniform other than pressing is prohibited.

2. Cap, Camouflage. The camouflage cap will be worn squarely on the head so that the visor is on a line and 2 inches (5.08 cm) above the eyes. It will not be starched, bleached, or artificially stiffened. Officers and chief petty officers will wear the miniature cap device, black if available, on the cap front.

3. Coat, Camouflage. The coat will be worn outside the trousers, not "tucked in." Sleeves may be rolled up at the option of local commands.

4. Trousers, Camouflage. Trousers must be of the same color, pattern, and material as the camouflage coat. The trouser legs will be bloused in a neat and uniform manner so that the blouse covers the top row of hooks or eyelets on the combat boots.

5. Belt, Webbed. The black web belt with standard navy buckle will be worn with the camouflage utility uniform.

6. Boots, Combat. Black combat boots will be worn with the camouflage utility uniform. Footwear will be blackened and in good repair.

7. Outer Clothing. The following outer clothing is authorized for wear with the camouflage utility uniform in inclement weather:

- a. Raincoat or all-weather coat
- b. Field jacket

8. Identification Markings. The U.S. Navy insignia will be applied to the left breast pocket of the camouflage utility coat. The "U.S. NAVY" decal will be centered horizontally 1 inch (2.54 cm) above the bottom of the left breast pocket.

9. Collar Insignia. Collar insignia will be worn by all officers, petty officers, and nonrated personnel.

a. Staff corps officers and warrant officers must wear the appropriate bright grade insignia on the right collar and the Navy staff corps insignia on the left collar as prescribed in reference (a).

b. Master chief, senior chief, and chief petty officers will wear the blackened, metal collar insignia of grade on both collar tips as prescribed in reference (a).

c. First, second, and third class petty officers and nonrated personnel will wear blackened metal collar insignia of rate on the right collar point and the blackened metal collar specialty device on the left collar point as prescribed in reference (a).

10. Metal Shoulder Insignia. Officers and warrant officers will wear the large metal clutch type grade insignia on the shoulder of the cold weather field jacket. The insignia will be centered on the shoulder and outer edge of each device will be placed 3/4 inch (1.91 cm) the shoulder sleeve seam.

11. Care and Cleaning. After initial issue of the prescribed quantity of camouflage utility clothing and footwear, the individual assumes the responsibility for their care and cleaning. During the washing, drying, and finishing cycle, use the lowest possible temperature setting so that at no time will the garment be exposed to temperatures greater than 130 degrees. Commanders will ensure that these instructions are made available to laundries, commercial laundries, exchange concessionaires, and individual Navy personnel who wash their own utilities. Commanders will ensure that instructions are posted where washers and dryers are installed in the barracks and other laundry facilities.